

Norwalk & Darien News Update

As the weather changes, take a moment to read about a few issues I have been working to address in our community. New legislation aims to help the struggling lobster industry in Long Island Sound, and a local food pantry will soon be re-stocked for those in need.

As always, don't hesitate to contact me with your concerns.



From **Your State Senator**
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Restoring Our Lobster Industry

Our state once boasted a \$100 million/year lobster industry with 1,200 employees. Tragically, just 15-20 lobstermen now remain following a massive die-off of lobsters in Long Island Sound.

Lobstermen blame the introduction of new pesticides into coastal waters to combat mosquitoes. These chemicals, methoprene and resmethrin, also appear to harm young lobsters. Fortunately, there are better alternatives.

I helped pass legislation this year that will restrict use of these chemicals along the coast. I hope it will help to restore the Sound's lobster population and revive the industry.

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Free Medical Alert Scam

I recently received a phone call at home that promised me a "Free Medical Alert System" in exchange for some personal information. This sounded suspicious, so I contacted the Norwalk Police Department right away. It turned out to be a scam that police across the country have been warning about for months.

Never give out personal information over the phone to someone you do not know. If you have been victim to a scam, please notify the police at 203-854-3000 in Norwalk or 203-662-5300 in Darien.



Person-to-Person (P2P) provide critical services that make a real difference in the lives of so many families.

I was proud to help the organization secure a \$20,000 grant this month from the Connecticut Health and Educational Facilities Authority for the purchase of food for P2P's food pantry. Located at 76 S. Main Street in Norwalk, the pantry is open weekdays from 9:30 AM to 12:00 PM.

Support for Our Local Food Pantries

Too many of our local families go without adequate food on a regular basis. As we work to improve the economy and increase opportunities for more people, organizations like Norwalk's